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SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL RESPONSE TO GDR JULY FOURTH MESSAGE

1. EMBASSY REQUESTED TRANSMIT FOLLOWING RESPONSE FROM
THE PRESIDENT TO THE JULY FOURTH CONGRATULATORY TELEGRAM
OF GDR CHAIRMAN OF STATE WILLI STOPH AND COUNCIL OF
MINISTERS CHAIRMAN HORST SINDERMAN: BEGIN QUOTE:
DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN/MR. PRIME MINISTER: ON BEHALF OF
THE AMERICAN PEOPLE, I WISH TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR KIND
MESSAGE OF CONGRATULATIONS ON THE OCCASION OF THE ANNI-
VERSARY OF INDEPENDENCE. SINCERELY, GERALD R. FORD
END QUOTE.

2. INFORMAL TRANSLATION OF STOPH-SINDERMAN MESSAGE AS

FOLLOWS: QUOTE: ON THE OCCASION OF THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE
INDEPENDENCE OF THE UNITED STATES, WE EXTEND OUR BEST
WISHES, AT THE SAME TIME WE WISH AGAIN TO EXPRESS OUR
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CONVICTION THAT THE RELATIONS BETWEEN THE GDR AND THE

UNITED STATES WILL DEVELOP POSITIVELY FOR THE BENEFIT OF
BOTH OUR NATIONS IN THE INTEREST OF WORLD PEACE AND
DETENTE. PLEASE ACCEPT YOUR EXCELLENCY OUR BEST PERSONAL
WISHES. END QUOTE.

3. FYI: DEPARTMENT DOES NOT INTEND TO RELEASE THE ABOVE

STATEMENTS OR MESSAGES BUT WOULD HAVE NO OBJECTIONS
IF THE RECIPIENTS WISH TO DO SO. INGERSOLL

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